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PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Pascual PEREZ et al.

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Serial No. 09/380,086

GROUP 1638

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NOVEL USES OF MALE STERILITY IN PLANTS

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of September 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

CANCEL claims 13-18 without prejudice.

Add the following new claims:

--19. A method for preventing dissemination of a transgene of interest via pollen from a transgenic plant incorporating said transgene, comprising integrating said transgene in a plant carrying cytoplasmic male sterility, whereby said transgene is prevented from being disseminated by pollen of said plant, wherein said plant is cultivated for seed or fruit production.--